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SUBJ: ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATE OF AMERICAN OWNERSHIP TO GAIL BENEGARD AND MICAH CURTIS, CO-OWNERS OF CRUISING KETCH "ATLANTIS" OF 12 TONS

REF 70 CA-2462 7 FAM 514.3-4 7 FAM 571.5 7 FAM 591E

- 1. CONGEN HAS RECEIVED INQUIRY FROM SUBJECT AMERICAN CITIZENS RESIDING IN VICTORIA WHO ARE BUILDERS AND OWNERS OF "ATLANTIS" AS TO HOW THEY CAN OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRY FOR IT AS AN AMERICAN VESSEL AND A CERTIFICATE OF AMERICAN OWNERSHIP.
- 2. ALTHOUGH 7 FAM 514.3-4 STATES YACHTS MAY CARRY ENROLLMENT AND LICENSE OR A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRY, THERE ARE NO INSTRUCTIONS AS TO THE PROCEDURES INVOLVED OVERSEAS.
- 3. CA-2462 PROVIDES REGULATIONS FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF AMERICAN OWNERSHIP FOR VESSELS PURCHASED BY AMERICANS IN FOREIGN PORTS BUT NONE FOR THOSE BUILT THERE.
- 4. PLEASE ADVISE CONGEN IF IT IS POSSIBLE TO REGISTER YACHT IN MELBOURNE AND, IF SO, WHAT ARE THE PROCEDURES INVOLVED? ALSO, IF YACHT CAN BE REGISTERED AND OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATE ISSUED, ARE THERE ANY SPECIAL REGULATIONS TO BE FULFILLED BY THE CREW WHO SAILS ON HER.
- 5. SINCE YACHT IS READY TO BE LAUNCHED IN JANUARY 1977 CONGEN WOULD APPRECIATE ANY EARLY REPLY TO ABOVE QUESTIONS.
- 6. BUILDER/OWNERS HAVE DEPOSITED SPECIFICATIONS OF YACHT WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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